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(57) Abstract

A press-fit container closure (14) includes a plurality of depending segmented lugs (20) with snap-fit projections for engaging behind the rim of a container mouth. An integral band (30) embraces the lugs to lock the closure (14) securely on the container mouth. To remove the closure (14), the band (30) is lifted away (e.g. pivoted upwards). The lugs (20) are then free to flex outwardly, allowing the closure (14) to be lifted off the container mouth. The band (30) may be secured to the lugs (20) by frangible connections (34) to provide a tamper evident feature. One or predetermined lugs (20a) may be designed to be released prior to other lugs during opening, to vent internal pressure from within the container while the remaining lugs hold the closure securely and prevent the closure from blowing off the container mouth.

